the Ministry of Tourism has advised the State Governments/Union Territories for deployment of Tourist Police at all important tourist centers/destinations. In addition, the Ministry of Tourism has also requested all the States/ Union Territories to enact Tourist Trade Act so as to discourage unscrupulous elements in the industry. A Complaint Redressal System has been developed through which each specific complaint is followed up and taken to its logical conclusion. Ministry of tourism has also launched a Social Awareness Campaign titled "Atithi Devo Bhavah", which targets the general public as a whole, while focusing mainly on the stakeholders of the tourist industry. The main components of the campaign are training and orientation of the taxi drivers, guides, immigration officers, tourist police and other personnel directly interacting with the tourists while simultaneously creating a brand equity for the trained persons.

Handling of Bio and Narco Terrorism

3623. SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of India have any plan of action to handle Bio terrorism and Narco-terrorism in this country; and

(b) what plan does Government have in mind to handle this problem with the International Community?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) In case of terrorist attacks using biological agents cooperation with international community will be under the Biological Weapons Convention to which India is a signatory. There is also India-US Joint Working Group on bio-terrorism. The Ministry of External Affairs will provide interface with the International community for exchange of information and sharing of intelligence. In case of Narco-terrorism, besides sharing of intelligence and exchange of information, the Government's plan *inter alia* includes cooperation under UN conventions on narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, bilateral agreements and Memorandum of Understanding with

various countries, joint operations and anti-narcotics efforts along international borders.

Untraced persons

3624. SHRI MATILAL SARKAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise number of untraced persons in different States as on 31st March, 2005;

(b) how many of them come under reasons other than Tsunami and other natural calamity categories State-wise;

(c) how many of these untraced persons are children and women, State-wise;

(d) the number of persons kidnapped by extremists and by professional kidnappers in the year 2002-2003, 2003-04 and 2004-05 State-wise; and

(e) the steps to be taken by Government to curb the menace of kidnaps?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO GAVIT): (a) to (d) "Police" and "Public Order" are State subjects under the Constitution of India. The primary responsibility of detection, registration, investigation, prosecution and prevention of crimes rests on the State Governments. The National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) compiles crime statistics on annual basis and provisional figures on monthly basis. Hence, it is not possible to indicate the State-wise number of untraced persons in different States as on 31st March, 2005.

As per statistics compiled by the NCRB, the details of missing persons with break-up of total persons, chilldren (upto 18 years) and women (above 18 years) during 2002 to 2004 are placed at Statement-I (*see* below) Further, statements containing State-wise/UT-wise details of number of persons kidnapped for begging, prostitution, sale, selling body parts, slavery and for unlawful activities etc. during 2002 and 2003 are placed in the enclosed Statement-II (*see* below).

(e) The Ministry of Home Affairs has, from time to time, advised the State Governments to give more focused attention to improving the administration of criminal justice system and to take preventive and effective measures to control crime.